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Aloha Dr. Derrickson,

Sorry to bother you again. Just thought I would send you PDF copies of the letters. May be easier to open.

Mahalo - Lianne M Chang, MD

Please note: forwarded message below:

Aloha Mr. Derrickson,

My name is Lianne M Chang, MD. I am writing to you in response to HHF's request that a copy of my letter of comments and concerns related to their DEIS be sent to your office and addressed to you. I have attached copies of 2 letters - one from myself (Lianne M Chang, MD) and one from my mother (Linda M Chang). We both reside at the same address (45-431 Ohaha Street) and will be affected by the expansion of the cemetery.

I have decided to send copies of these letters via e-mail as I thought it would be quicker. Please contact me if there are any questions or concerns at drchang1@juno.com or via my cell phone at (808) 221-4241.

Mahalo for your time - Lianne M Chang, MD

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Mr. Ronald A. Sato, AICP, Senior Associate HHF Planners 733 Bishop Street, Suite 2590 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear Mr. Sato:

I am writing to you in regards to the Hawaiian Memorial Park Cemetery Expansion Project. I live on Ohaha Street and will be directly affected by this project. I oppose the expansion because of several concerns that I have. My main concerns are: the destruction of Preservation and Conservation land - our beautiful green hillside and the laua'e patches that grow where the proposed expansion will occur, noise that we will have to tolerate and dust that will be stirred up during your grading of the hillside and then filling in the trenched areas with soil and rocks to make it flatter and more suitable for burying the deceased, flooding and run off, and Kawa'ewa'e Heiau.

- 1) I am a cultural practitioner of the art of hula. I am 57 years old and I have been dancing and practicing the many protocols of hula since I was 5 years old. I, along with several other haumana in hula and halaus in this area, utilize the laua'e which grow in the proposed area of expansion of Hawaiian Memorial Park. It is readily available and safely accessible and is the greenest, most fragrant laua'e I have ever seen. We practitioners of hula use this fern (along with other materials) to adorn ourselves in preparation mostly for dancing kahiko although sometimes it is also used for 'auana. In your most recent EIS, I refer to page 3-40 (Figure 3.7). It is a picture of the petition area with 3 oval areas in light green designating areas of patches of laua'e that the developers have identified. As I understand it, 2 of the patches will either be mowed over and demolished during the grading and filling that will occur or up rooted and replanted someplace else on the hillside leaving only one patch in the proposed "Cultural Preserve". I do not believe that this will be a viable plan for many reasons. My question to you would be, are you certain that the laua'e will thrive when you uproot and replant the fern somewhere else on the hillside? Will I be guaranteed that I will be able to exercise my right as a native Hawaiian gatherer to have safe access to the one patch that now has to be shared by many in a sacred place that should not be walked on and is in a rock fall area?
- 2) My father has bad asthma and COPD and often needs nebulizer treatments when he wheezes badly or has shortness of breath. This is exacerbated by dust, dander, pollen, vog, and respiratory illnesses. We actually live across the street from the proposed expansion area and are very much concerned about my dad's respiratory condition and how it will be affected by the construction. I am also concerned about the dust and pollen that will accumulate in my home. How do you plan to control the dust and tree, grass, and weed pollen that will be disturbed and will be dispersed by the wind? How do you plan to control the noise from the demolition and grading of the hillside then filling in with rocks and dirt? Will you compensate us for any ER visits my dad may have to make and meds he will have to get refilled because of the dust and pollen in the air?

- 3) I'm really worried about the possibility of water overflowing from the proposed "retention ponds" that I understand you will be putting in. This is, as I understand, supposed to prevent water run off down the hillside and flooding. The wai will flow where it naturally wants to go. Kane'ohe and in particular, this hillside where you plan to expand the cemetery, is lush and green for a reason it rains a lot! This hillside is also a "water shed" area.

 Lastly, I am a pediatrician. The mosquito borne disease, Dengue fever, is a real concern where any stagnant bodies of water exist. What guarantees do I have from you that my home and the homes immediately below this expansion area will NOT be flooded and will NOT be in danger from water run off when it rains? Further, what are you going to do to control the mosquitoes that you will be "incubating" in these ponds? If flooding or a landslide should happen, will we be compensated for any damage that occurs?
- 4) I commend Hawaiian Memorial Park (HMP) for wanting to do the pono thing by agreeing to help maintain the Kawa'ewa'e Heiau (a Nationally registered historical site) and the many other historical sites on the hillside that HMP proposes to expand upon by incorporating them into a "Cultural Preserve" therefore preserving them for generations to come. This cultural preserve will supposedly be managed and maintained by the Ko'olaupoko Hawaiian Civic Club and a third party Land Trust which HMP will designate. That being said, I question why only NOW the owners and developers of HMP decided to "be a good neighbor" and reach out to the community to help maintain these historical sites. Will monies and man power be provided by this 3rd party entity and/or HMP for maintenance and upkeep of this Cultural Preserve? If not by the Land Trust entity or HMP, how will Ko'olaupoko get the monies and man power to maintain the Preserve? I wonder if, had they reached out to the community about this earlier, maybe the road would not have been so rocky.

I look forward to your responses to my questions. You can address your responses to: Lianne M. Chang, MD; 45-431 Ohaha Street; Kane'ohe, HI 96744.

Mahalo for your time,

Lianne M. Chang, MD

Cc: Mr. Scott Derrickson, Land Use Commission

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